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"SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCTION SYSTEM

FOR MODEL TRAIN USING INTEGRATED DIGITAL

COMMAND CONTROL"

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SIR:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2001. In the Office Action, the Patent Office considered and rejected Applicants' argument that Applicants' abandoned parent application, U.S. Serial No. 08/289,257, which predates the cited SoundTrax DCC DSD 1996 reference, teaches the claimed subject matter. The Patent Office further rejected Claims 1-4, 7-10, 12-16, 21-32, 37-45 and 49 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by the 1996 SoundTraxx DCC Digital Sound Decoder. Further, the Patent Office rejected Claims 5, 33 and 48 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over SoundTraxx DCC DSD 1996. Still further, the Patent Office rejected Claims 6, 11, 17, 18, 20,

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